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Chapter 15: Howlings of A Beast

THANK YOU!
HERE! ENJOY YOUR MEAL!
Fantastic!
Boil
Boil
WHAT?
DON'T TALK THAT WAY IN FRONT OF A CHILD, WILL YOU!
EH, THAT KID IS INCOMPETENT! YOU SAW HIM FALL OFF THE TREE RIGHT?
SHUT UP OR I'LL BUMP YOU OFF!
DON'T COMPLAIN! SEEING WHO COOKED, IT COULD HAVE TURNED OUT MUCH WORSE!
YUK!
WHAT?! A GIRL?! HIM?!?
I DON'T BELIEVE IT!
WELL, A FAT LOT OF GOOD THAT WILL DO ME!
WHAT ABOUT IT? SHE'S ONLY A LITTLE GIRL AFTER ALL!
AND HE SANK ONTO HIS BUTTOCKS AS SOON AS AKURE GLANCED AT HIM...

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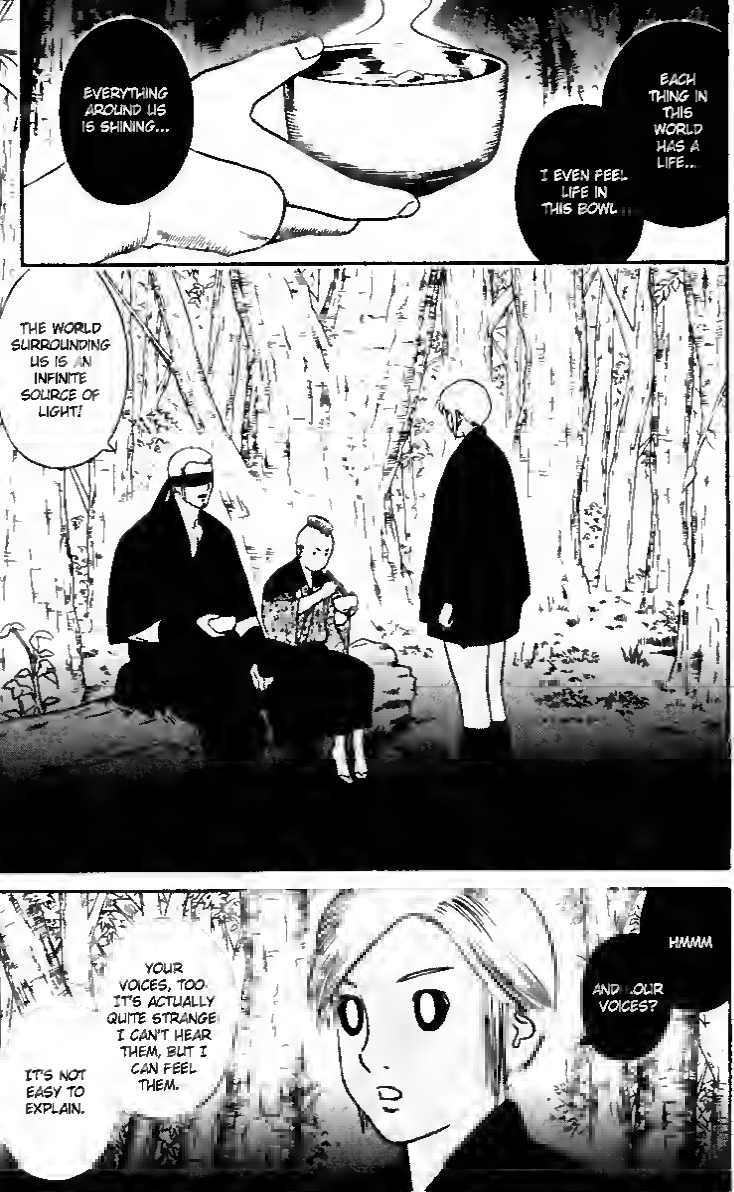
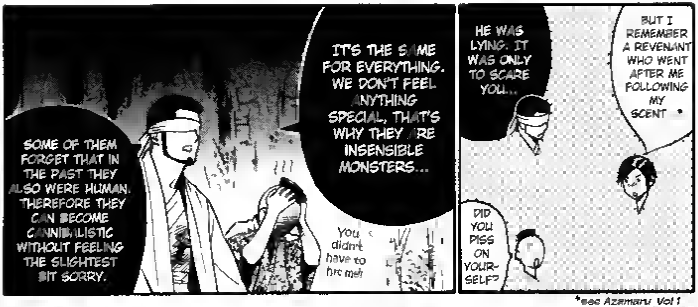
YES... THANK YOU...
ZANMU? WANT SOME?
YOU KNOW, I'M NOT EATING HUMAN FLESH OUT OF PLEASURE OR DESIRE...
Sip
WE CAN SWALLOW ANYTHING. WE NEITHER CARE ABOUT THE TASTE NOR THE SMELL OF FOOD...
I KNOW THAT YOU'D RATHER EAT HUMAN FLESH BUT I'M WARNING YOU, I'M INDIGESTIBLE!
PANT
BA-DUMP
BA-DUMP
ANYWAY, REVENANTS NO LONGER HAVE A SENSE OF TASTE.
THE IMPORTANT THING IS JUST TO EAT.

I CANNOT SEE DAYLIGHT...
EVEN THROUGH THIS BLIND-FOLD?
YOU ARE ABLE TO SEE?
THREE!
HOW MANY FINGERS?
WHAT?
BUT I CAN FEEL OTHER LIGHTS INSTEAD...
?
But you do see
I POSSESS NONE OF MY 5 SENSES ANYMORE...
NOT ONLY DID I LOOSE MY SENSE OF TASTE, BUT ALSO MY EYE SIGHT.
THE LIGHTS OF LIFE...


EVERYTHING AROUND US IS SHINING...
I EVEN FEEL LIFE IN THIS BOWL...
EACH THING IN THIS WORLD HAS A LIFE...
THE WORLD SURROUNDING US IS AN INFINITE SOURCE OF LIGHT!
HMMM
AND...OUR VOICES?
YOUR VOICES, TOO. IT'S ACTUALLY QUITE STRANGE. I CAN'T HEAR THEM, BUT I CAN FEEL THEM.
IT'S NOT EASY TO EXPLAIN.


SOME OF THEM FORGET THAT IN THE PAST THEY ALSO WERE HUMAN. THEREFORE THEY CAN BECOME CANNIBALISTIC WITHOUT FEELING THE SLIGHTEST BIT SORRY.
IT'S THE SAME FOR EVERYTHING. WE DON'T FEEL ANYTHING SPECIAL, THAT'S WHY THEY ARE INSENSIBLE MONSTERS...
You didn't have to hit me!
HE WAS LYING. IT WAS ONLY TO SCARE YOU...
DID YOU PISS ON YOURSELF?
BUT I REMEMBER A REVENANT WHO WENT AFTER ME FOLLOWING MY SCENT *

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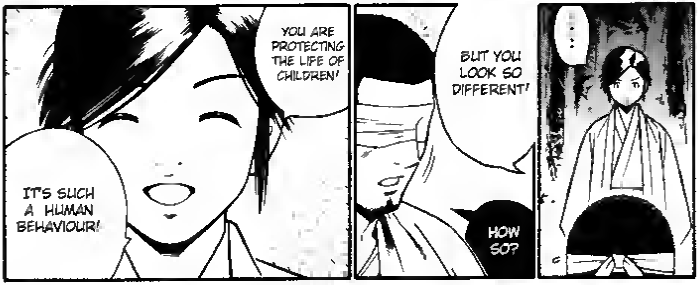
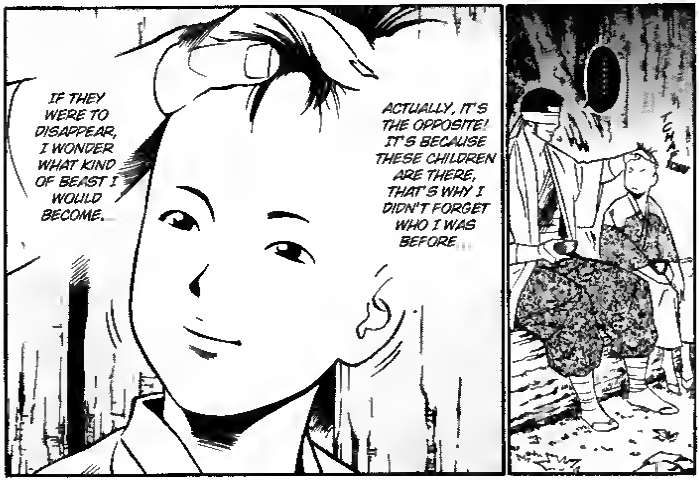
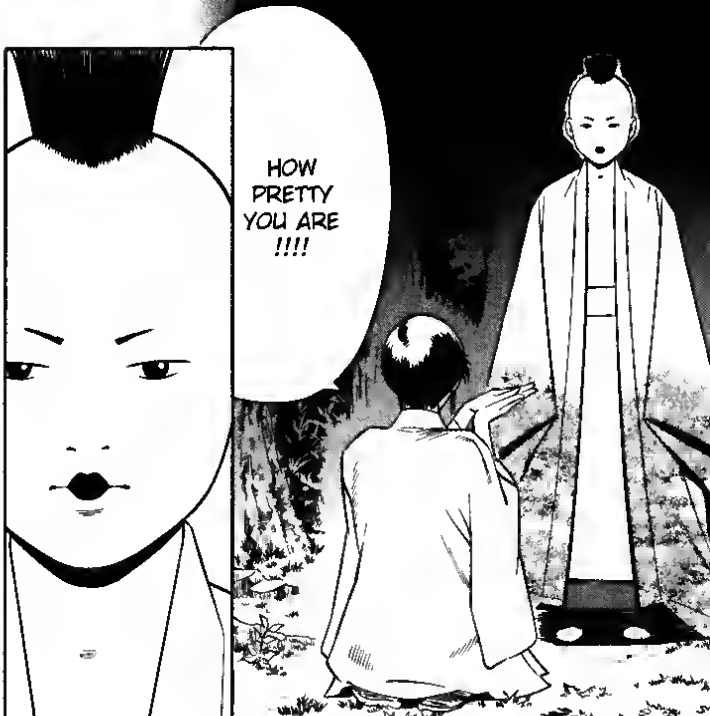



IF THEY WERE TO DISAPPEAR, I WONDER WHAT KIND OF BEAST I WOULD BECOME...
ACTUALLY, IT'S THE OPPOSITE! IT'S BECAUSE THESE CHILDREN ARE THERE, THAT'S WHY I DIDN'T FORGET WHO I WAS BEFORE...
TCHAK!

THE MASK CLAN... AND I, WHO THOUGHT THAT THEY ALL WERE BLOOD-THIRSTY MONSTERS, SOME OF THEM ARE ABLE TO USE REASON!
AT FIRST I THOUGHT THAT ZANMU KEPT THESE CHILDREN ALIVE...
IN ORDER TO PROTECT THEM, I FIGHT AGAINST THE MASK CLAN... HOWEVER, I'M ALSO A REVENANT!
BUT I'LL CONTINUE TO FIGHT!
GULP
BOM BOM
LIKE PEOPLE BREEDING FARM ANIMALS!
BE POLITE!
IT'S NOT SUITABLE FOR A YOUNG GIRL TO TALK IN SUCH A WAY!
OH REALLY?
WHY?
BECAUSE UNLIKE A BOY, A YOUNG GIRL SHOULDN'T USE VULGAR LANGUAGE!
BY THE WAY, WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
EH? WHAT?
BUT WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO SAY THEN?
YOU SAY "WHAT DID YOU SAY" OR "EXCUSE ME"?
OH! I JUST HAD AN EXCELLENT IDEA!

YOU'LL SEE!
FOLLOW ME!
ONE MORE THING...
WHAT?
MY SWORD REACTS TO ZANMU'S PRESENCE...
HE PREVENTS ME FROM KNOWING IF OTHER MASKS ARE THERE OR NOT...
GRIND
TAP
TAP
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
SINCE HIS FATE IS TO END BY MY BLADE...
LET'S FINISH IT ONCE AND FOR ALL!
GRIND
GRIND

YES! THAT'S IT! SINCE HE'S GOING TO DIE ANYWAY, WE MIGHT AS WELL NOT WASTE TIME!
HE DESERVES ONLY DEATH! I...
DID YOU HIT YOUR HEAD AGAINST A TREE?
Bong!
AKIRE, PULL YOURSELF TOGETHER! ERASE THESE DARK THOUGHTS FROM YOUR MIND!


HOW PRETTY YOU ARE !!!!

OH! NO, NO!
DON'T WANNA!
BUT I'M GIVING THIS TO YOU!
IT MIGHT BE A BIT EARLY BUT ONE DAY YOU'LL NEED IT!
AND BESIDE, IT'S ALWAYS HANDY TO HAVE SEVERAL OUTFITS, RIGHT?

I HAVE NO USE FOR THIS KIMONO ANYMORE
WHY?
HM, BECAUSE
WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
I'M LOOKING FOR A HAT
HA HA
HA HA

SFX: Unsheathing
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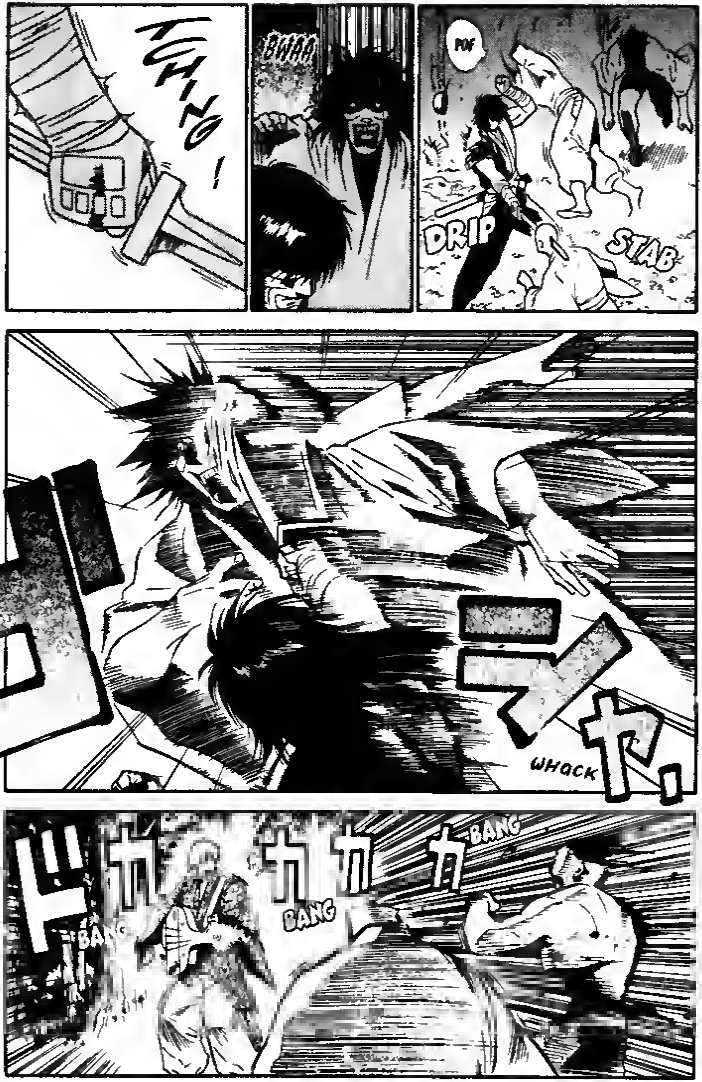
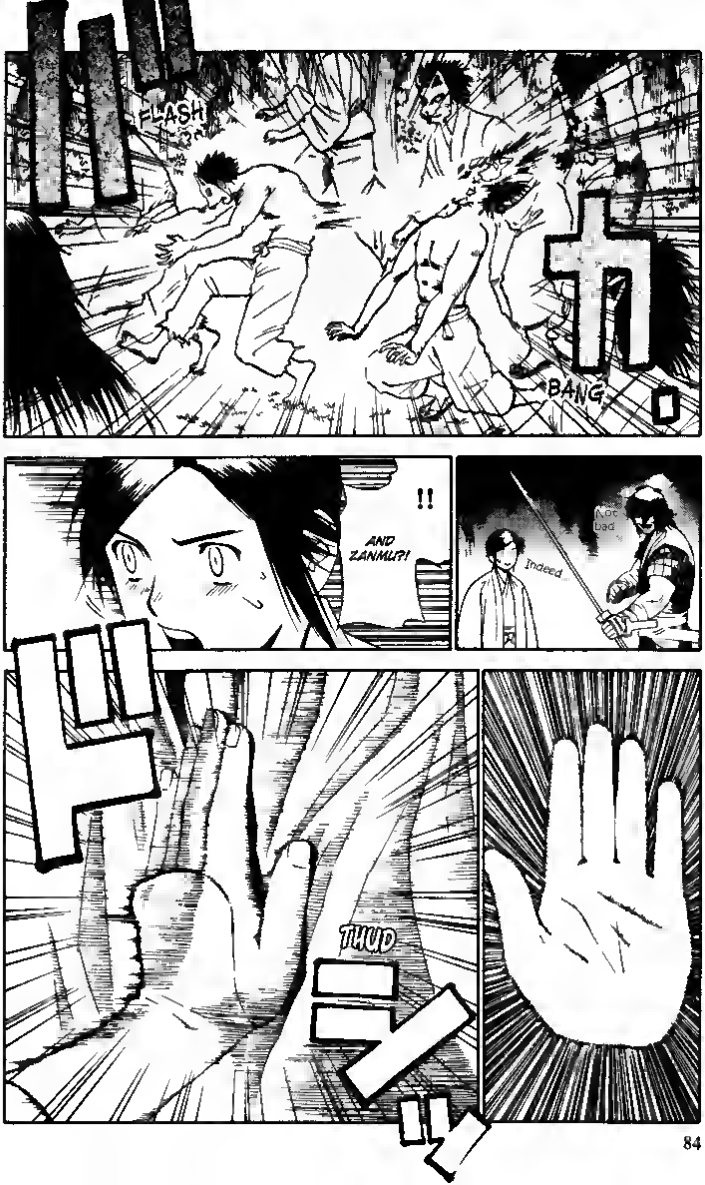
HHAM
SLASH


TCHING!
BWAH
POP
DRIP
STAB
WHACK
BANG
BANG
BANG

WILL YOU BE ABLE TO GIVE BATTLE TO THEM?
TOMOE! THERE ARE MANY OF THEM AND THEY ARE HOTHEADS, TOO!
STEP BACK
I DON'T NEED PROTECTION!
ON THE OTHER HAND I HAVE SOMEONE TO PROTECT NOW!
YOU ARE ASKING ME IF I CAN STILL FIGHT?
IF YOU ARE STILL ALIVE, IT'S BECAUSE LORD YOSHINAKA ORDERED ME TO BRING YOU BACK ALIVE!
FINE
THIS JOURNEY'S GOAL...
...IS PRECISELY BATTLE!
TCHIC

Huh?
This thing is phoney!
OH!
IENAGA'S GADGET!
SUC!
SFX stretching at the limit
THWACK

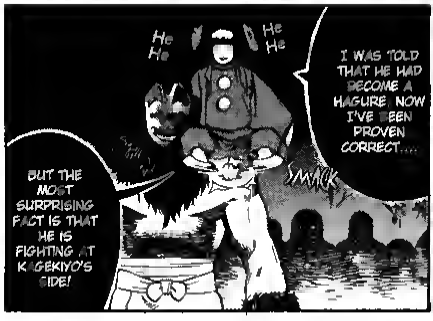

FLASH
BANG
!!
AND ZANMU?!
Not bad
Indeed
THUD

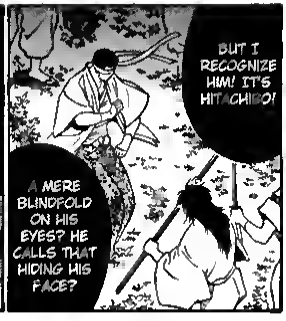
KOPPO IS ONE OF JAPAN'S ELDEST MARTIAL ARTS

IT SOLELY USES FISTS AND WILL HEREAFTER KNOW SEVERAL VARIATIONS, BUT THE MOST FAMOUS ONE REMAINS SUMO TODAY

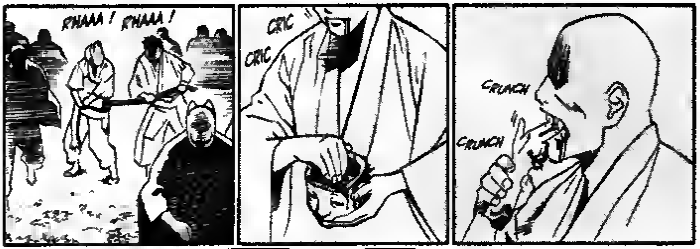
THE JAPANESE IDEOGRAMS OF THE TERM KOPPO EMPHASIZES THE BLOWS ON THE FRAGILE BONE PARTS OF THE HUMAN BODY. LEGEND EVEN TELLS THAT THE ANCIENT GREAT KOPPO MASTERS WERE ABLE TO BREAK THE BONES OF SOLDIERS PROTECTED BY AN ARMOR

OH?


He He
He He
I WAS TOLD THAT HE HAD BECOME A HAGURE. NOW I'VE BEEN PROVEN CORRECT....
SMACK
BUT THE MOST SURPRISING FACT IS THAT HE IS FIGHTING AT KAGEKIYO'S SIDE!


BUT I RECOGNIZE HIM! IT'S HITACHIBO!
A MERE BLINDFOLD ON HIS EYES? HE CALLS THAT HIDING HIS FACE?

WHAT AN EGOIST! HE REALLY WANTED TO KEEP THOSE KIDS ALL TO HIMSELF?
BUT, ACTUALLY, THE CHILDREN FROM THE VILLAGE WE WERE BEFORE DIDN'T STOP SCREAMING THE WORD "ZANMU"! MIGHT IT BE HIS NEW IDENTITY?


KHAAA ! KHAAA !
CRIC
CRIC
CRUNCH
CRUNCH

THE INSULT HAS BEEN ATONED FOR! WE SHARED THEM AMONG OURSELVES! WHAT A FEAST!

ZA
ZANMU!

RUN!!!
FALL
FUMP
WHAT?
BUT...

SFX: Uwaaa!
WHAAA!
WHAAA!
FLOP
GRAB
OUUCH!
GRIP

RUSH
AND SHIT!
DASH
RUSH
HE IS GOING TO BE USEFUL!
DON'T KILL THE KID YET!

SFX: Tearing apart
?

I WONDER IN WHAT KIND OF LANGUAGE I SHALL SPEAK FOR THESE IDIOTS TO UNDERSTAND!
GRUNT
GRUNT
THOSE BARBARIANS ARE REAL ANIMALS....
PFFF.
RHAA AAA!